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SPRINGVILLE NEWS

By Winnie Gage

The Springville 4-H Club held its regular monthly meeting recently, with Vice-President Barbara Corzine in charge.

Brent Gill gave a report on the recent Farm Bureau meeting, for which the Springville and Success 4-H Clubs put on the program.

Leonard Frayo reported on the Porterville Fair.

It was decided that the Springville club would attend the first week of camp, from June 28 to July 3, at Whitaker Forest.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Marian Brockman, president; Leonard Frayo, vice-president; Sharlene Brockman, Recording Secretary; Delores Witt, corresponding secretary; Duane Bayless, treasurer; Mary Choate and Jerry Gould, sergeant-at-arms.

A project report was given by Ron Moore.

Various members then participated in a talent contest, first prize in the musical division going to a clarinet trio composed of Jane Choate, Franklin Cox and Mary Cox, and first prize in the dramatic division being won by Mary Cox, Jane Choate and Mary Choate, who presented a pantomime. Judges for the contest were Miss Eleanor Norris, Mrs. Walters, and Mr. Hildor Barton.

It was decided to have a project tour on Saturday, June 13, finishing up with lunch and a swim at the John Moore's swimming pool.

After the meeting the group enjoyed some beautiful color slides shown by Miss Norris, of her trip to Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gill are announcing the arrival of their first son, Robert Charles, June 13,

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GIFF NEWMAN PRESIDENT OF BARN BOARD

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Gifford Newman was elected president of the Barn theater board of directors at a meeting held last night; Bill Ardouin was named vice president and Mrs. Miriam Wilcox, treasurer. Other directors are: Dr. Wilbur Stover, Eldon Hunt, James Hanson, Violet Carpenter, Bill Boyes, Toinette Miller and Dr. James E. Miller. Blaine Graham was retained as managing director of the theater.

In other Barn activity, Barn Theater Guild members, and their husbands, will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

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JUNIOR LEADERS RETURN FROM 4-H CONFERENCE

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Twenty-one delegates and two chaperones from Tulare county have returned from a 4-H Club Junior Leader conference held on the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California.

Attending from southeastern Tulare county were: Dan Nuckols and Lora Beth Smith, Burton; Calvin Todd, Ducor; Bill Collins, Prairie Center; Judy Lynn Petersen and Richard Lee, Columbine; Karen Nielsen, Richgrove, and Eileen traylor, Vandalia.

Theme of the conference was, "Adventures in Leadership"; training session dealt with virtually every phase of 4-H club work.



BACK IN 1916 the Monache theater opened as one of the valley's finest theaters, and, through the years, many great names of the theatrical world appeared on its stage. Now the theater is being abandoned, its fixtures and fittings removed to make way for later remodelling by the present owner, Cecil Salas. In the above photo, taken shortly after the theater opened, the Vineyard-Orchard Realty company can be seen on the left; the Sweet Shop was located at the right of the photo.

Era Passes As Monache Theater Abandoned To Make Way For Future Development In Business District

By Bill Rodgers

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — "The old order changeth . . ." and an era is passing as workmen complete their job of tearing fixtures out of the Monache theater as the first step in eventual conversion of the theater into a business building by the present owner, Cecil Salas.

Although the Monache had been used only at intervals since the Porter theater was constructed several years ago, Principal Theaters, Inc. held their lease on the property until recently, but now, the old Monache is falling in the path of progress, just as the fine new Monache was opened on August 4, 1916, as a major development in the progress of the Porterville business district.

Everett Howell, who is now retired, his brother, Clem Howell, and A. R. Moore, opened the Monache after it had been constructed by Mrs. J. H. Williams, who at that time resided in San Diego, and whose business properties in Porterville were handled by Jack Newberry.

Everett Howell recalls that the name Monache came from Monache meadow, in the high Sierra, a spot that J. H. Williams had enjoyed during his days in the Porterville community.

First motion picture starred Billie Burke in "Peggy", second picture featured Baby Marie Osborn, a child star, in "Baby Marie".

First stage show was an Al Mrosko production, "Canary Cottage", presented on Halloween night. Mr. Howell recalls that as a Halloween prank a wire was thrown across the power wires on Putnam avenue, all theater power was out for more than a half hour, but candles were set on the

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SUMMER STORY HOUR STARTS SATURDAY

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Summer story hour at the Porterville City library will start Saturday, at 10 a.m., with Mrs. Phoebe Ann Tobias, who has just returned from a trip to Mexico, in charge of the hour. Her story will be "Morning In Mexico."

The story hour will be continued for 10 Saturdays; all children are welcome, stories are planned for children through the sixth grade. Pre-school children must be accompanied by older brothers or sisters.

Bonus Goes Up To $372 Tuesday In Porterville

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Tuesday Bonus is getting better and better, what with no one grabbing the big pot for several weeks, so next Tuesday a shopper in any one of Porterville's Tuesday Bonus stores might get themselves a nice check for $372.00.

All you have to do is sign up for the Bonus at any Tuesday Bonus store, (if you signed once, that's all that is necessary) then do your buying in Tuesday Bonus stores next Tuesday.

If your name comes up along about 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, and you have a sales slip, dated Tuesday, from a Tuesday Bonus store, you win, all or half. If you have no slip, you get a five spot for your troubles.

Tuesday Bonus stores in Porterville are: Albers Feed and Farm Supply, Anderson Tire service, Billiou's, Bullard's, Cassidy Shoe store, Clare-Retta shop, Claubes' Prescription Pharmacy, Daybell Nursery, Esther's Home Furnishings, Gibson Stationery store, Hammond Studio, Hodgson's Fur-

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AG. INSTRUCTORS AT CAL. POLY. CONFERENCE

SAN LUIS OBISPO, June 25 — Ray Kennedy, new member of the vocational staff at Porterville high school, and Darwin Gubler, head of the vocational agriculture department, are this week attending the fortieth annual conference of the California Agriculture Teachers association on the California State Polytechnic college campus.

"Careers Ahead Through Agriculture" is theme of the conference, with educational and lay agricultural speakers emphasizing this theme in talks and panel discussions.

SENATOR WILLIAMS HEADS INTERIM COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — State Senator J. Howard Williams has been named chairman of the Senate Interim committee on natural resources, and will also serve on three other interim committees: Agriculture, water, and labor and welfare.

Under the new setup in which interim committees have been cut from nearly 40 in past years to 12 this year, Senator Williams is serving on more committees than any other senator. Committee assignments were made by the Senate Rules committee.

As chairman of the natural resources committee, Senator Williams will be concerned with a wide variety of state operations: Beaches and parks, timber, fish and game, minerals and mining, and all other natural resources. As a committee member he will also be working in the highly important fields of agriculture, water, and labor.

During a brief visit in Porterville following the close of the 1959 legislature, Friday, Senator Williams said that he was glad to see the California Water plan get started on essentially the same basis that he has advocated for the past six years.

"There is still some talk that too many commitments were made to too many special areas and interests, but in the overall plan, the state legislature will have the full say, because we will control the purse strings", Senator Williams said.

"Adoption of the California Water plan and passage of SB 1106, that authorizes sale of general obligation bonds were two major steps in getting a water develop-

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WHEAT IS BETTER THAN EXPECTED

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Dry-farmed wheat in southeastern Tulare county that was given up three months ago as virtually a total crop loss is turning out far better than expected, with indications now being that about 90 per cent of the seeded acreage in Tulare county will be harvested.

Nelson Little, who heads the Federal Crop Insurance corporation office in Porterville, reports that total yield may hit 50 per cent of normal, normal in terminology of his office being 14 bushels per acre, or about 840 pounds.

Best field in the area that Little has seen is being grown by Keith Kocher, where yield is estimated at up to 1,500 pounds. Little says there are a few other small spots that might run as high, with quite a number of fields hitting, or expected to hit from 600 to 800 pounds.

Opinion of ranchers is that proper summer fallowing, plus the exceptionally wet winter of a year ago have offset some of the bad effects of a dry winter and spring this season.

Little estimates that about $35,-

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Reed Hastings In Nicaragua Capitol During Recent Revolution; Business Men Are Arrested, Stores Close Doors

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — A business trip to Managua, capitol city of Nicaragua, turned out to be considerably more than routine for Reed Hastings, International Harvester dealer in Porterville, for Hastings was in the process of completing his business when the recent revolution broke out, and, from then on, he didn't know for sure whether he had a business deal or whether he didn't.

Although actual fighting was 60 miles away, the city of Managua was under marshal law, government installations were blocked off, Nicaragua President Luis Somoza's soldiers patrolled the streets, (although Hastings reports that it was not uncommon to see a soldier sound asleep with his rifle standing beside him), and road blocks were set up throughout the area.

"It was five mles from my hotel out to the plant where I was crating up some International cotton pickers that I had purchased from the Nicaraguan government," Hastings says. "Each day I was stopped and searched, going and coming, at three road blocks; I got to know the guards by their first names, but they still searched me — I suppose for guns.

"When it became apparent that the attempted revolution had failed, and that most of the revolutionaries who had been brought in by air were captured, the revolution was declared over — on June 14 — and a military parade was staged through Managua.

"I expected to see quite a demonstration," Hastings says, "but the troops came through on three International trucks, a few jeeps were in the parade, which was led by a 25-piece band, two P-51 fighter planes and one DC-3 buzzed the town, and that was it.

"Actually, Somoza's military force didn't look like much — mostly boys — but it proved too tough for the revolutionary forces. One American from Texas, however, commented that a couple of Texas Rangers could whip the whole Nicaraguan army" Hastings says.

During the early part of the revolution, a group of Managua

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SPORTSMEN SET SPECIAL MEET

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Directors of the Southern Tulare County Sportsmen's association will meet at the Elks lodge next Wednesday, July 1, 8 p.m., in a special session to discuss results of the special deer hunt hearing held June 24 in Visalia; to hear a report on the Balch Park ponds project, and to set up special work parties.

JUNIOR RODEO NEXT SATURDAY

PORTERVILLE, June 25 — Cowboys from 6 to 13 years of age will be competing for trophies and ribbons in the second annual Junior Rodeo that will be sponsored by the Orange Belt Saddle club at the Rocky Hill arena, Saturday, at 8 p.m.

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WE START A NEW VOLUME YEAR

Newspapers observe their birthdays by changing volume numbers; today we change our volume number to XIII, which means we are moving into our thirteenth year.

In looking back we see that in our first edition — volume I, No. 1, we editorially suggested that Porterville should have a yearly agriculture and stock show; that Porterville high school should have a school farm, and that fresh orange juice should be offered at a reasonable price in Porterville.

The first idea blossomed into reality, what with Porterville's highly successful community fair; the second idea is still only an idea, but, we believe, still a good one; the third idea is, unfortunately, also just an idea in that it is still quite a chore to get a glass of fresh orange juice in Porterville.

And we said also, "Southeastern Tulare county is only beginning to hit its stride. New land is daily being developed; new agricultural methods are being introduced and used successfully; new sources of water are being developed. In this great agricultural district we have the two great factors of stability and progress."

These ideas — true 12 years ago, are just as true today, for in spite of the great developments in agriculture that were getting underway after World War II, and which have brought tremendous agricultural growth and wealth to southeastern Tulare county, this area is still "hitting its stride", and perhaps the next major development, in addition to continued expansion of agriculture, will be greater development of industry and expansion of recreational facilities in the years ahead.

Certainly, "stability and progress" will continue to be the bywords of Tulare county, and the Porterville community.

Senator Williams

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ment plan underway in California," Senator Williams said.

Another important piece of legislation in the opinion of Senator Williams was the killing of Chapter 1466, whch established market value as a basis for assessment of property.

"With 1466 out, there will be more local control of assessment practices in regard to property valuations," Senator Williams said.

With his wife, Senator Williams has returned to Sacramento to take care of business in his office there, also some state business in San Francisco, after which he plans to take a short vacation before getting into the schedule of interim committee hearings and meetings that will be held prior to the next session of the state legislature.

Giff Newman

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J. H. O. Emery in the Sunland district. Membership in the Guild is open to all interested women; information can be obtained from Mrs. Allen Margot, Guild president.

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weight 6 lbs. He has a sister, Dianna. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gill. his maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Luna of Strathmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Andrews and children, Pamela, Michael, Stephenie and Melenie of Albequerque, New Mexico, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Miller. They all plan to go to Coos Bay, Ore., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Roland Miller this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jessinghaus are announcing the birth of their first child, a son, Dennis Lee, June 19, in Sierra View hospital in Porterville. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Jessinghaus. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gage.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moulton and grandsons, Billy Dean Daniels and Larry Higginbotham have returned home from a few days at Hume Lake.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cross were her sisters, Miss Elsie Peacock of Pasadena and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Canterbury of Alhambra. It was Mrs. Cross' birthday. She received several lovely gifts and many birthday greeting calls and cards.

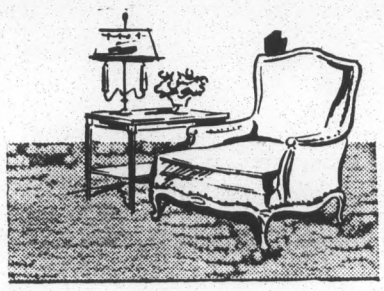
Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Rutherford are announcing the arrival of their second child, a son, Stephen Edward, June 22, weight 9 lbs., 11 ozs. He has a sister, Karol, two years old. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henson of Springville. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Austin Rutherford of Walker Basin.

The Springville Hobby Club met last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bessie Ruby. After a short business meeting, a game was played under the direction of Lucille Higgens with Lucille Lynch winning. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and orange juice were served to Emma McCutcheon and Mary Lunsford of Porterville, Ethel Rush, Juanita Radeleff, Goldie Haggard, Ann Baird, Nell Southworth, Winnie Gage and Alice Smith.

Lucille Lynch is a new member; Judy Allen was a guest. The July meeting will be in the home of Juanita Radeleff.

The Tule River Houndsmen Association's Field Trial held Sunday at Hossack Meadows was attended by several members, families and guests, in spite of heat in the valley it was nice and cool there with a few sprinkles of rain.

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Experiments along this line are being conducted by Robert J. Weaver, University of California viticulturist. Use of the chemical is also showing promise in increasing grape size and set, in producing less compact clusters and in hastening grape ripening.

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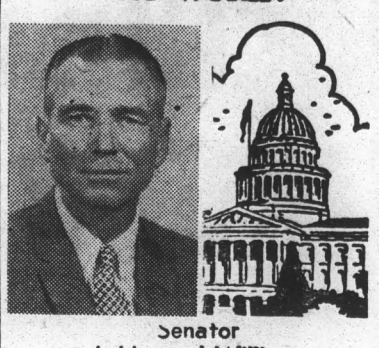
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Most of us legislators look upon the end of any session with mixed feelings. Partly, it's with a sense of relief that the pressure is off for a while, that we can really relax for a time. Partly, it's with a sense of loss, a tinge of regret at separation from the colleagues with whom we have worked — or struggled — through nearly six months of intense activity.

The 1959 session, preserved now only in its record, differed in many respects from its predecessors because of constitutional changes in our operations. But its ending brought with it the same satisfactions in results achieved and disappointments in causes lost. As I have said before, the legislative process is one of reaching intelligent and equitable compromises, and no participant emerges either complete winner or loser.

The session amply demonstrated the value of the new constitutional provision which ended the half century old recess required by previous law. The number of measures introduced was sharply reduced by almost a third. This reduction gave our committees and each of us as individuals much greater opportunity to review each measure more carefully. The results are evident; a larger proportion of bills introduced were given at least one committee hearing than ever before, and the percentage passed by both houses and sent to the Governor was also substantially increased.

Since the period within which the Governor may sign bills extends for nearly a month, it is not possible now to summarize all the legislation enacted. However, an enumeration of some of the most significant actions taken in several basic fields can be made.

For financing operations of our state government for 1959-60, a total of $2,225,000,000 was appropriated in the budget bill. The sum marks a new record of both California and the nation. To assist in raising the needed revenue, new or additional taxes were levied on items ranging from incomes to inheritances, from beer to cigarettes.

Our biggest headache for the past several years, water, was finally cured by what was probably the outstanding legislative accomplishment of the session. If the voters approve the multi-billion dollar bond issue involved, which seems likely, California will be enabled to start the biggest engineering job if history to date, to bring water to all the thirsty parts of the state.

Our public schools and colleges have always been one of our principal legislative concerns. In the budget we provided a substantial increase in state funds for their support. Our long range studies of educational standards and problems which grew out of public concern over the quality of instruction provided our youth were considerably advanced by the work of our committee of legislators and citizens.

Programs for the benefit of the blind, the aged, and dependent children were improved in many respects, and more liberal grants under them were provided.

Major increases in benefits were written into our workmen's compensation law, and into the unemployment and disability insurance laws. Other improvements in all of these statutes were also passed.

When the record is reviewed, it's a little amazing how much we accomplished in our six months of endeavor.

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CHAPEL CHIMES

By Rev. N. J. Thompson

D. L. Moody tells the story of an Atlantic passenger who lay in his bunk one night deadly seasick. A cry of "Man overboard!" was heard. The sea-sick many prayed, "May God help the poor fellow. There's nothing I can do." Then he thought, "At least I can put my lantern in the porthole."

This he did.

The man overboard was rescued. Relating the dramatic story of his rescue, he said, "It was very dark. I never felt so alone and forsaken in my life. My strength was gone. I was going under for the last time when someone put a light in a porthole. It shone on my hand. A sailor in a lifeboat saw it, and grabbed me and pulled me in."

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During World War I, Harry Lauder cheered the British Tommies in the trenches with this story: "I was sittin' in the gloamin' and a man passed my window. He was the lamplighter. He pushed his pole up to a lamp and lighted it. Then he went on to another and another, making a beautiful avenue of lights. Now I could not see him. But I knew where he was by the lights breaking out down the street."

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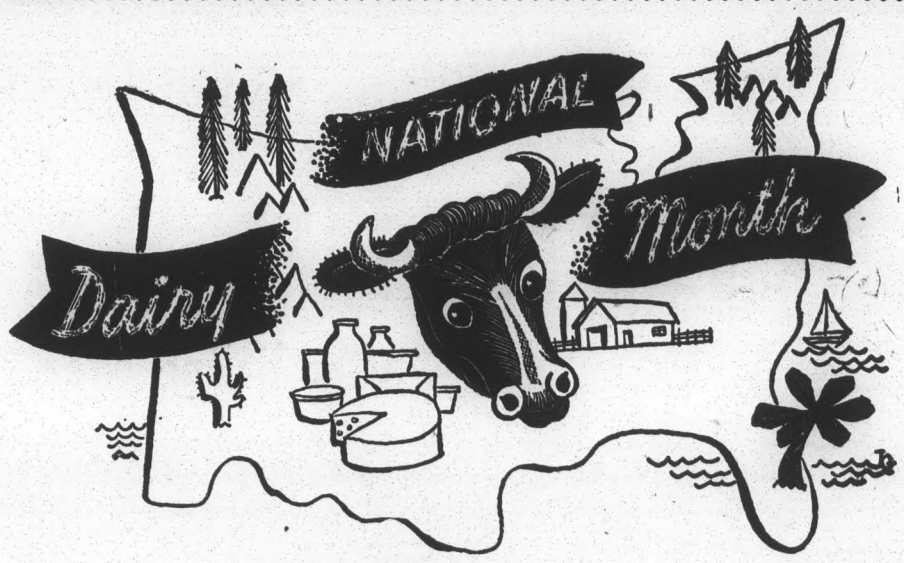
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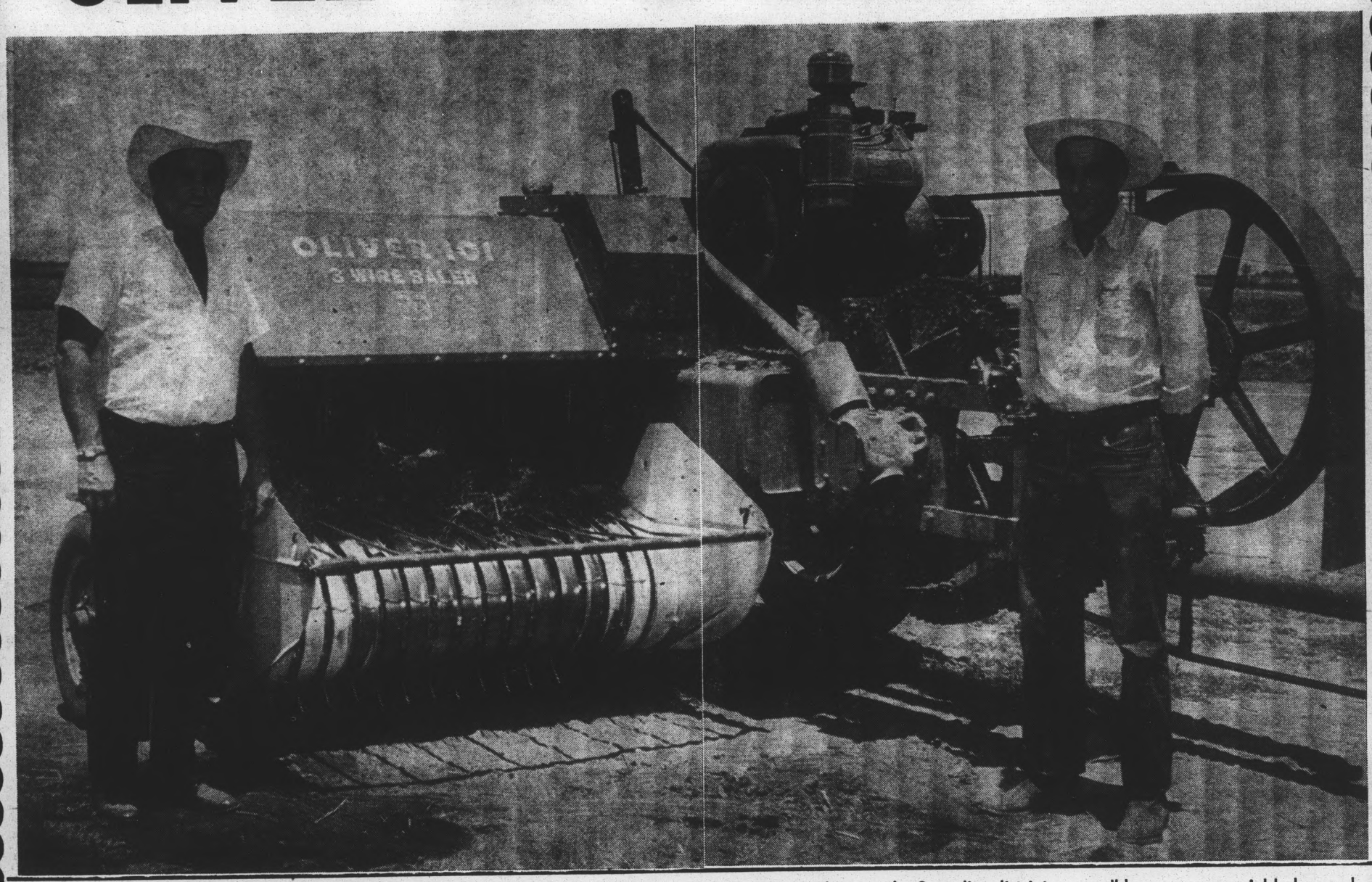
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Cecil Ray Gets Sportsmen Award

BAKERSFIELD, June 25—Cecil Ray, a former Porterville resident who has been in charge of the state fish hatchery at Kernville for a number of years, has received the Central California Sportsmen's Council's Award of Merit for outstanding service to sportsmen.

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Salvation Army Pickup To July 15 In Porterville Area

PORTERVILLE, June 25—Used clothing, furniture, and appliances are among the items the Salvation Army will seek when it offers free pick up service in the Porterville area June 24th through July 15th.

Those wishing free pick up service may make arrangements by calling SUnset 4-2570.

Discards given to the Salvation Army are used by the organization to finance its program for homeless and handicapped men.

Annual solicitation for Salvation Army funds is now underway in the Porterville community, under direction of Al Wise, Salvation Army chairman.

Bill Rooney Gets Promotion

VISALIA, June 25 — W. F. (Bill) Rooney, who came to Tulare county in 1956 as a member of the farm advisor staff, specializing in poultry, leaves July 1 to take the position of State Poultry specialist, where he will coordinate the activities of poultry farm advisors throughout California. He replaces W. E. Newlon, who is retiring, after 37 years in farm advisor work.

Let, er Buck



By CASEY TIBBS

(THIS COLUMN PRESENTED BY THE ORANGE BELT SADDLE CLUB, PRODUCER OF THE ANNUAL PORTERVILLE ROUNDUP.)

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo.—The Australian cowboys have arrived in the States but, as of date, no one seems to know which way they went!

George Williams, the world-wanderin' representative of the R.C.A., lent them his car, a road map and a Rodeo Sports News at the San Francisco pier and hasn't seen them since!

In fact, nobody's seen head nor tail of 'em since they left the boat. My guess would be they got caught drivin' down the wrong side of the highway . . .

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There was sure no shortage of cowboys at Grand Junction last week. From the entry list you'd have thought it was the National Western that they hold in Denver.

Four performances and only one head in each event. Their dates were mid-week and they had no rodeos conflicting . . .

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Forgot to mention in the last column about my big win at Yankton . . . a whole $69!

On that basis, I wouldn't advise a cowpoke to produce too many rodeos if he was going for a championship. Seems like after you get everything else done, you don't have much time left for the contests.

Hate to admit it, but three of my own broncs bucked me off at Yankton!

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Stopped over a couple of days with Hank Fine in Hollywood last week. Hank is the fellow who handled the public relations for the fiasco in Belgium last year.

Even though that trip to Europe was a failure, Hank still did a terrific job and gained the respect of all the cowboys with his work.

Hank has really got rodeo in his blood and I'd be willing to make a wager that he'll be active in the profession within a year.

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The good news in rodeo these days is the return of the Houston Fat Stock Show Rodeo to R.C.A. approved status. For two years the Houston Rodeo has gone amateur but — in 1960 — they'll be back as the second largest purse in the country — $40,000 for 12 days.

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The National Finals Rodeo is sure shaping up fast. A stock selection committee was set up last week for the bulls, the bareback horses and the saddle broncs.

They're also puttin' out the call for secretaries, pickup men and judges to send in their applications.

Future For College Grads In Agriculture

DAVIS, June 25 — Agriculture is offering more job opportunities to college graduates than can be filled, with 15,000 jobs available this year for the 7,000 young men and women graduates of California colleges and universities who were training in agriculture.

In today's modern living, agricultural fields include not only actual farm production, but processing and marketing, work in chemical and fertilizer firms, and many types of jobs for farm machinery companies.

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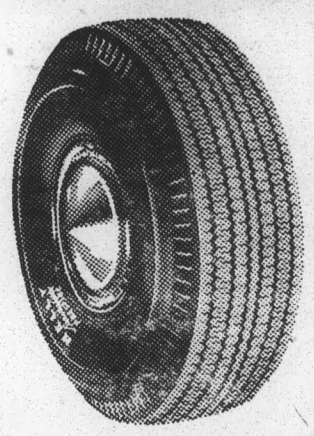
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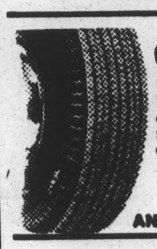
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WHAT DOCTORS SAY ABOUT:

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Note to readers: Thanks for all the nice letters. As many questions as possible will be answered in this column, but for obvious reasons replies must be brief.

Q. As some people age they seem to become more and more neurotic and hard to get along with. Do they actually have all the ills they complain about?

A. Oldsters, like a lot of younger folks, may develop neurotic symptoms which show up as repeated complaints when nothing is physically wrong. One day it's "indigestion"—the next day it's "backache" or perhaps just vague pains here and there. They seem always preoccupied with the body or a part of the body believed to be out of kilter. The trouble is very likely borrowed from the past — childhood fears, growing up anxieties, and adult disappointments. The average oldster who has nothing more wrong than can be expected in later life very often needs a sympathetic listener and, above all, something of interest to occupy his time rather than actual treatment of mind or body.

Q. Several months ago my eyes became quite bloodshot. I used an eyewash but this didn't help. What do you suggest?

A. Redness of the eye is a warning signal common to many conditions. Play safe and see a physician. He may find that the redness is due to allergy or perhaps there is a mild infection. Medical advice should always be had at once if eye redness is associated with any dimming of vision or severe discomfort, or if the redness shows up as a sort of halo around the cornea.

Q. "A competent electrologist has been giving me treatments for superfluous hair but the cost is high. I have been considering purchasing a home electric machine. Would this be advisable?"—N. M.

A. Removal of superfluous hair by electrical means is a tedious and time-consuming process and because of this it is likely to be expensive. Results obtained depend entirely upon the skill with which the machine is used. The chief danger is facial scarring and this could be more disfiguring than the hair. Before taking any steps on your own, discuss the pros and cons of the matter with your family physician or dermatologist.

Questions directed to Science Editors, P.O. Box 396, Madison Sq. Sta., N. Y. 10, N. Y. will be incorporated in these columns when possible.

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Agricultural Chemical Bags Are Dangerous

VISALIA, June 25 — Bags that have been used for poisonous agricultural dusts, especially organic phosphate compounds, can be dangerous unless burned or buried, the Tulare County Health department warns.

Any person accidentally dusted or sprayed by the organic phosphate poisons should bathe immediately, and a doctor should be called at once, for death can result from such exposure, with symptoms starting in a few minutes, or within hours.

Small children should never be allowed to play with any type of bag that has contained any type of agricultural chemical.

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From Daybell Nursery By John

We were about to say this was good outdoor barbecue weather but actually it's not really good outdoor or indoor weather. It's mostly just better to be somewhere else weather. Really it isn't that bad because you do get used to it. Especially if you have air conditioning and never leave the house.

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WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

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And this fact probably does the best to put into sharp relief issue raging in Congress on passage of a Fair Trade Act supported by nation's independent businessmen voting through the National Federation of Independent Business.

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For long, many manufacturers, putting out a quality product, and one which they insist their dealers stand ready to service, have tried in states where there are no fair trade laws to police the market to see their brands are not kicked around.

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Yet, there are well known brands in many lines of merchandise today that are actually being bootlegged. Discount houses, seeking "sucker bait" unable to buy from reputable manufacturers who will not let these discount houses have their merchandise to football around. Thus, the discounters engage in devious means to secure a few of the items.

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Of course, the well known brand is sold out to the first few customers who respond to the bait, and the rest are urged to buy some cheap, unbranded, unknown substitute.

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For example, it is a matter of record that in 1957, the Japanese shipped into this country more transistor radios than were produced by the entire American radio industry.

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How are the Jap made radios backed up? The Japanese themselves are reputed to be so unsure of the quality of their merchandise, that with every hundred transistor radios shipped, they throw in ten extra to take care of, they hope, bad ones.

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In a recent Congressional hearing Rep. J. Arthur Younger of California presented some interesting figures on what fair trade means to the retailer.

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For example, the failure of appliance dealers in the period from 1953 to 1957 only increased 3.66% in states where fair trade laws are observed, but business failures by appliance dealers in states where there are not fair trade laws increased 157.1%.

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In this same period, in all lines of retailing, business failures in fair trade states increased only 42.34%, in non-fair trade states they increased 149.19%.

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It is paradoxical that among strongest opponents to letting manufacturers protect their top brands of merchandise is union labor leaders.

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Yet, this prestige branded merchandise usually also carries a union label.

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But, if American manufacturers, no longer able to protect their brands, are driven off the market place, it is quite doubtful the union label will appear in any Japanese made goods. If it does, it will be a bogus label. But such is the lack of economic-statesmanship among labor leaders that they blithely jump into situations like this which are only detrimental to their supporting dues paying members. Never have so many paid out so much to so few to cut their throats.

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ANNA BASTADY TELLS OF TRIP AT 4-H MEETING

VANDALIA, June 25 — Following swimming at the municipal pool and a pot luck supper, Anna Bastady told members, leaders, parents, and guests of her trip to the All-star conference at the June meeting of the Vandalia 4-H club, held in Murry park. She also showed slides of some of the activities that she and other All-stars took part in while there.

Roland Crosiar, leader, showed slides of the club float and of the group at 4-H Sunday; Serge Wright, first year member played an accordion solo; Jerri Williams will be the delegate to the State 4-H Club convention and Nancy Howell will be alternate.

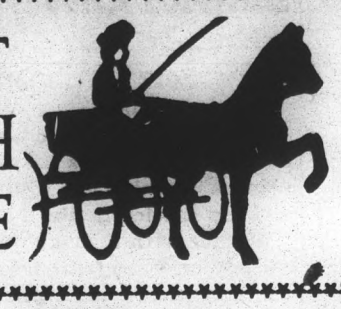
All completed record books were turned in and have been checked by the leaders.

This was the final meeting of the year. The next club meeting will be in September after school begins.

4-H MEMBERS IN DAIRY PROGRAM

VISALIA, June 25 — In Tulare county, 130 4-H club members are engaged in specific dairy award programs, aiming at scholarships, and other awards, according to John A. Wagenknecht, farm advisor.

THE OLD DAYS



DECEMBER, 1900

BAKERSFIELD — E. W. Kay, former sheriff of Tulare county, is stopping at the Arlington hotel.

VISALIA—George Redd, of Porterville, is coming here to assist his brother, Jack, in the conduct of the new Palm Garden restaurant.

SAN FRANCISCO — The Santa Fe telegraphers' strike has been called off.

PORTERVILLE — A. C. Thompson, of Duarte, Los Angeles county, has been looking over the Tulare county orange belt. He may return and make an investment in orange lands.

TULARE — Henry Burton was fined, Monday, for expectorating on the sidewalk.

SACRAMENTO — A majority of the teachers seem to feel that the state text books are not what they should be and in some quarters there is evidently a desire that the printing of books by the state should be abandoned. The charge is made that the state books are inferior to those furnished by publishing firms, and the cost of making them is excessive.



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Reed Hastings

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business men, corresponding to a chamber of commerce, met to ask President Somoza for answers to a few questions. They stayed in session for about five hours, no answer was forthcoming, and when the meeting was adjourned, from 200 to 300 of them were arrested and thrown in jail.

At this point stores in Managua were closed, and although most of the business men were screened and released, stores remained closed. President Somoza imposed a fine on any store owner who did not open his business, so businesses were opened but nothing was sold. It took about seven days for things to get back to normal.

"This was a little upsetting," Hastings reports. "I had a deadline to meet; a boat was leaving and I had to get my material aboard. But we managed to make it, with just about no time to spare."

Following the arrest of the business men, wives of these men staged a demonstration. Government troops moved in on these women to disperse them by force; about 75 women were hurt badly enough to require hospital treatment.

"The problem seems to be that the Nicaraguan people want a free election that was previously promised by President Somoza," Hastings says. "In talking with the general run of people it seems that many are dissatisfied, however, there is a great block of persons employed by the government, and, of course, they are for the government.

"Ordinary people in Nicaragua don't have much; wages are low, living expenses are high, the people are not educated and there isn't much chance for boys and girls to get an education; people are afraid of the government, economic conditions are not good, there is no free press.

"All of this may well mean that another revolution may be attempted in the future, although with so many people working for the government, and with most of the common people afraid to join in a revolution, a future move will have to be better organized than the last one. But I really believe that such a move will eventually come; the trouble is not over yet," Hastings says.

Economic plight of Nicaragua goes back a few years to the period when cotton prices were extremely high on the world market. Great acreages of cotton were planted, at the expense of such staple food items as corn, beans, and rice.

But with the world cotton market now at a point where cotton production in Nicaragua is on the profit borderline, cotton acreage is not paying off, the nation is being forced to import far more material than it exports, including basic foods, and the government is trying to get farmers back into production of basic foodstuffs.

Even with cotton high on the world market, Nicaraguans had trouble since natives of the country did not know how to pick cotton. Mechanical pickers were brought in from the states, but there were also problms of oprating mechanical equipment — 60 inches of rain a season, rank growth of cotton, securing individuals who could handle the equipment — and now, declining cotton acreage.

As a result of these factors, Hastings was able to purchase a number of International Harvester cotton pickers that were stored in government warehouses. The deal was made early this year, but nothing happened until Hastings went back to Managua the latter part of May to personally supervise crating and loading of the

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Era Passes

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stage and the pit orchestra that was travelling with the stage show entertained until power had been restored.

Stage shows were brought to Porterville in the early days of the Monache about twice a year; regular weekly vaudeville was presented — at one time for 126 straight weeks — with acts contracted through Associated Vaudeville, known as the Junior Orpheum circuit, and the Loew circuit, both of which operated out of New York City, and also through west coast agencies.

Kolb and Dill were great favorites on the Monache stage; Wallace Reid appeared on the stage as a young actor, Julian Eltinge, a great impersonator of women, played Porterville.

"I remember him well," Mr. Howell recalls. "We bought his show outright and lost money on it. But the most popular star we ever brought to Porterville was Richard Jose, a tenor, who was famous for his presentation of "Silver Threads Among The Gold."

When the Monache was built, a small pipe organ was installed; a large organ was placed in the theater following World War I. Two organists who achieved considerable fame later were Milton Charles, who Mr. Howell remembers as "a fine young musician," and Edwin Sawtelle, who is now the organist for the Wakiki theater in Honolulu and who is also well-known in the islands for his organ programs on radio.

Incidentally, Irmyl Fitzgearl was a pupil of Sawtelle, and later became assistant organist at the theater; she also worked as usher, ticket sales girl and ticket collector. Clark Fitzgearl and Chester Narver had the Sweet Shop that was located in the Monache building — a business that had been started by Ernest and Vernon Hall.

In the other business section of the theater building was the Vineyard and Orchard Real Estate firm, operated by Lloyd Cornell.

Movies were just getting out of the flicker stage when the Monache opened, and stars of the day were Bert Lytell, Tom Mix, Pauline Frederick, Douglas Fairbanks, Theda Bara, David Powell, Tom Moore, Vivian Marlin, W. S. Hart, Beverly Bayne, Mrs. Vernon Castle, Madge Kennedy, Alice Brady, Gloria Swanson, Buck Jones, Mae Murray, Bryant Washburn, Katherine McDonald, Johnny Hines, William Russell, Lila Lee. (How many of them do you remember?)

Actually, the Monache theater was something of an institution in the community. When it opened there were no radios or television, "going to the show" was a principal form of entertainment, and those of us who were growing up in that era well recall coming to town Saturday afternoon to see the usual western and the inevitable serial, with a break in the picture program for a thunderous feature solo by the theater organist. Admission in those days was 20 cents for adults, 10 cents for children.

And in addition to travelling stage shows that were popular in the days before and after World War I, home talent productions were often staged at the Monache.

Everett Howell started his theater career operating the motion picture projector in the old Moore Opera House, located where the Bank of America now stands. Eschol Hammond also worked for A. R. Moore, both in the theater and in the photography business that Moore operated.

Following the fire, about 1911, that destroyed the Opera House, along with many pictures and negatives of early-day Porterville that were in the Moore photography studio, Moore built the Gaity theater on the corner of Main and Garden, across the street from the former location of the Opera House.

Moore later sold this theater to Everett Howell — "I bought it with money that I had saved working in the Braderick machine shop at 40 cents an hour," says Everett, while Moore sold his photography business to Mr. Hammond.

In 1916, Moore, and the two Howell brothers got together to open the Monache theater, which they operated until 1924, when they sold to the National Theaters syndicate, with Everett Howell remaining as manager.

Everett and Clem were negotiating to buy the theater back in 1928, when National sold to Principal Theaters, the concern that has since held the Monache lease, and that built the new Porter theater, Everett, meanwhile, staying on as manager until he retired in 1958, and his son, Jim Howell, took over as manager.

So an era is passing with demolision of the Monache theater. As Everett Howell sees it, probably this is for the better, but he regrets the passing of the theater organ.

"People liked to hear a good organist, and I believe they still would," says Everett. "Maybe someday the theaters will go back to the pipe organ. It used to be a real musical thrill to hear it."

And certainly there is a bit of sadness in his thoughts as Everett watches the demolition work, since he personally installed and operated the first motion picture equipment in the Monache theater, and also helped build some of the stage fixtures that are now being torn out.

But progress is inevitable, "the old order changeth." And there is nothing to do but accept it.

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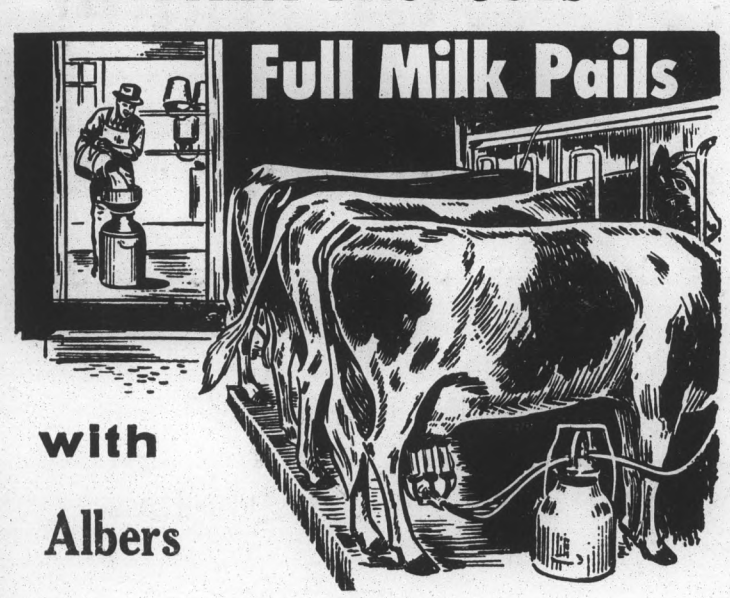
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 14638

Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare

Estate of FLORENCE GRAHAM, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the office of Burford, Hubler & Burford, 520 East Mill Street, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.
Dated June 15, 1959.

MARJORIE MARSHALL
Administratrix of the Estate of the above named decedent

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520 East Mill Street
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Attorneys for Administratrix

First publication: June 18, 1959.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 14524

Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare

Estate of BENJAMIN RANKIN ARMSTRONG, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the office of Burford, Hubler & Burford, Attorneys at Law, 520 East Mill Street, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.
Dated June 16, 1959.

s/ FERN V. FOX, Administratrix of the Estate of the above named decedent

BURFORD, HUBLER & BURFORD
Attorneys at Law
520 East Mill Street
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Telephone SU 4-5064
Attorneys for Administratrix

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 14660

Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare

Estate of FRED ITZENHAUSER, also known as Fredrick Itzenhauser Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the office of Burford, Hubler & Burford, 520 E. Mill Street, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.
Dated June 22, 1959.

PAULINE ANNE MEIER
DAVID F. ITZENHAUSER
Co-executrix and co-executor of the will of the above named decedent

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520 East Mill Street
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Attorneys for Executors

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 14620

Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare

Estate of KATIE A. ITZENHAUSER, also known as Katie Itzenhauser Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the office of Burford, Hubler & Burford, 520 East Mill Street, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.
Dated June 9, 1959.

DAVID F. ITZENHAUSER
PAULINE ANNE MEIER
Co-executor and co-executrix of the will of the above named decedent

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SUMMONS
(General)
No. 52191

Superior Court of the State of California
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FANNIE CORNELIA ELLIOTT Plaintiff,
vs.
L. Z. VERNON ELLIOTT Defendant.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
To the above named Defendant:
You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff filed in the above entitled court in the above entitled action brought against you in said court, within TEN days after the service on you of this summons, if served within the above named county, or within THIRTY days if served elsewhere.
You are hereby notified that unless you so appear and answer, said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.
Dated January 22, 1959.

CLAUD H. GRANT, Clerk
By /s/ INEZ L. HYDE, Deputy Clerk

(SEAL)

GUY KNUPP, JR.
P. O. Box 1129
Porterville, Califirnia
SUnset 4-2378
Attorney for Plaintiff

je25,jy2,9,16,23,30

NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION
PROPOSED ROAD NO. 1952

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested that a petition was filed with the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California, on June 16, 1959, petitioning said Board to lay out in Road District No. 1 and 2, of the County of Tulare, State of California, a new public road, Proposed Road No. 1952, sixty feet wide, the center line of which is particularly described as follows:

Commencing within the Southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 19 South, Range 29 East, M.D.B.&M., at the Northerly termination of County Road M 240, officially designated in Tulare County Official Road Records as Road 483; thence running Northerly and Easterly over and across said Section 27, Section 22, 23, 24 and 13 of said Township and Range, four miles, more or less, to the Southerly termination of County road officially designated Road 1931.

Said petition will be heard by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California, in the Chambers of said Board, Courthouse, County Civic Center, Mineral King and Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California, on July 7, 1959, at 2:00 o'clock P.M., when and where any person interested may present evidence thereon.

CLAUD H. GRANT, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California.

(SEAL)

By SYLVIA HALLOWS, Deputy
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT
Number 123

Hilo Water company, a California corporation with principal office at the City of Porterville, County of Tulare, State of California.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the annual Stockholders Meeting held on the 12th day of June, 1959, A. D., an assessment of ten ($10.00) Dollars per share was levied upon all shares of this corporation payable on or before the 12th day of July, 1959, A. D., to the corporation at the office of the secretary, Porterville, California, or mailed to 1649 Kamar, Porterville, California. Any shares upon which this assessment remains unpaid on the 12th day of August, 1959, A. D., will be delinquent and unless payment be made prior to delinquency said shares or as many of them as may be necessary will be sold at secretary's office, at 1649 Kamar, Porterville, California, on the 12th day of September, 1959, A. D., at 10 o'clock a.m. of such day to pay the delinquent assessment together with a penalty of five per cent of the amount of the assessment on such shares or be forfeited to the corporation.
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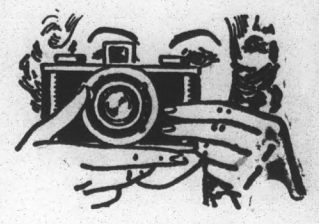
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Reed Hastings

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equipment.

Concerning cotton production in Nicaragua, Hastings says that costs are about as high as in the United States, yet farmers are forced to sell on a 22-cent world market.

One complaint from Nicaraguan farmers, according to Hastings is, that they are forced to compete with subsidized American cotton. They think their own government should subsidize them, but they don't like the idea of acreage control.

While in Managua, Hastings was taken on a tour of both the university and the department of agriculture farms. He said that major emphasis is being placed on increased production of beef cattle, with top-quality Brahama bulls being imported and sold to ranchers to cross with native cattle.

Santa Gertrudis bulls are also being imported, but these are held on the university farm and bred with native cattle through artificial insemination. Hastings says that Nicaragua looks like excellent beef country.

Dairy animals are also being imported, principally Brown Swiss and Guernseys. Hastings says that apparently Holsteins can't stand the extreme humidity of the area.

Nicaragua's economy is based almost entirely on agriculture, Hastings says. Not only has decline in world cotton market hurt the country, but also the "dumping" of Brazilian coffee on the world market, as well as a decline in the banana market.

Hastings believes that Nicaragua could become a boom country if the government and the economy is stabilized to a point where American capital will come in, as in some other Central American areas.

"Everyone has a thousand schemes for investing your money," Hastings says. "All Americans, in the eyes of Nicaraguans, have mucho dinero."

As sidelight observations, Hastings says that cars are a luxury in Nicaragua, a Chevrolet selling for $7,000; gasoline is 54-56 cents a gallon. All items imported from the states carry a high duty, putting them out of reach of most Nicaraguans.

Everyone carries a gun — just like the old days in the West, except they are usually concealed. Store fronts are made so that they open up like large doors, then are closed at night, to form a solid barricade of brick and wood.

Modern stores that have plate glass display windows protect these windows with heavy metal grills. At 9 p.m. streets are vacated for the most part, and doors are locked.

"You lock everything in Nicaragua, including your office desk," Hastings says.

Concerning the soldiers, Hastings says that it is a standing joke that if they shoot at you, there is no danger, but if they are shooting at someone else, look out.

And in a lumber yard, equipped with modern saws and other machinery, lumber was still being pushed around on carts with two solid wood wheels.

"In crating the cotton pickers," Hastings says, "we worked through a large firm in Managua, yet this firm bought lumber for the job in piece-by-piece lots. We were always out of lumber or nails, but no one worried.

"I spent hours trying to teach workmen to hold a hammer at the end of the handle; they always held it just as close to the hammer head as possible, making a lot of noise but not driving many nails.

"In a crew of 37 men, only three could be prevailed upon to use a Skill-saw; most of them were afraid to get close to it. Standard operating procedure with a hand saw was to turn it upside down, then saw from the bottom toward the sawer."

Hastings says that the Nicaraguan people are hard working and likable. They do not resent Americans; they are clean, their social life is closely woven around families.

"But they just don't have a chance to get very far," Hastings says. "They are poor, they worry about food to eat and clothes to wear. Anything beyond that is a luxury."

The highest-paid person, outside of government employees, who Hastings saw in Managua, was an 11-year-old shoe shine boy in the hotel. This boy, working from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., then spending two hours in school at night, earned the equivalent of $3.00 per day. A girl working in the hotel's gift shop earned about $20 per month.

Hastings paid carpenters about $2.50 per day and general laborers $2.00 per day — actually top wages.

As a final comment on his experiences, Hastings says that it rained every day, the weather was hot, the humidity high. He paid extra for a hotel room that had a hot water faucet, but the hot water was not hooked up. His plane landed and took off at the government airport between lines of machine gun pill boxes, searchlights constantly covered the field at night.

"The last I saw of the cotton pickers, they were crated and headed in this direction," Hastings says. "If they don't arrive, I'm not going back to look for them."

Wheat Is Better

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000 will be paid out in Tulare county through federal crop insurance to grain growers this year; nearly all dry-farm grain growers have paid insurance premiums in the program.

Kern county is not doing so well, Little says with only two growers in northern Kern county attempting to harvest their fields. About $45,000 in grain crop insurance will be paid in Kern county, Little estimates.

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